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County News.

BRIDPORT.

Our Saxton's River students returned to their school on Monday.

G. F. Sollace returned home from Massachusetts on Tuesday.

Mrs. Ida Hemenway is passing the week with friends in Rutland.

Dr. H. L. Townsend, after an absence of a week, returned home on Wednesday.

Allan R. Crane went to Oxford, Mass., on Saturday to accept a position in a woolen mill.

J. W. Kingsland and L. L. Russell brought home the fur from 242 rats and one mink last week. Among the rats were five white ones.

Rev. G. E. Cady started on Monday for Schenectady, N. Y., to attend the annual meeting of the Troy conference. Mrs. Cady, with her young child, is at the home of her parents in Bristol.

At the annual meeting of Morning Sun lodge, No. 5, held April 14, for the election of officers, the following were duly elected and installed: W. M., J. H. Withersell; S. W., W. M. Grandey; J. W., G. F. Sollace; treasurer, Henry Nichols; secretary, F. E. Towner; S. D., R. E. Kingsland; J. D., Geo. M. Sellers; stewards, J. H. Fletcher and J. N. Spaulding; chaplain, W. O. Hinds; marshal, J. R. Rice; tyler, H. A. Taylor.

BRISTOL.

Ruth Meader is very ill.

Harvey Staples is ill with the grip.

All of the sick are reported as better.

John H. Wright is somewhat improved in health, though still confined.

The thermometer registered but 10 degrees above zero Tuesday morning.

N. H. Munsell of Malone, N. Y., is in town looking after his system of water works.

D. K. Johnson was taken sick Saturday night and is now critically ill, though somewhat improved.

The state cattle commissioners are here and inspected several herds of cattle. It is too early to learn the results of the test.

Mrs. E. Hoyt Landon died very suddenly of neuralgia of the heart at her home on Maple street on Saturday. The funeral was held at her home on Tuesday. The burial was at New Haven.

Horace Farr, aged 87 years, died on Saturday evening. He had been in failing health for some time, though with no particular disease. The funeral was from his home on East street on Tuesday and was largely attended. He leaves a wife, two sons and one daughter to mourn his loss.

Miss Grace Merrill of Lincoln, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Merrill, died at her home on Thursday night of typhoid pneumonia. She was sick only about ten days. She was a member of the graduating class of the Bristol high school and was taken sick here. A large delegation from the school attended the funeral.

CORNWALL.

J. L. Douglas expects to start his cream wagon soon.

The hard freeze on Tuesday night burst the pipes of the creamery engine.

J. S. Wing is doing quite a business in the wheel line, both in selling and repairing.

The Ladies' Aid society of South Cornwall will meet on Thursday, the 20th, with Mrs. H. B. Scovel.

Water on the intervals is high and crossing from Salisbury station to South Cornwall is dangerous.

Wm. Mackintosh of Arlington Heights, Mass., for several years professor in Chauncey Hall, Boston, and now principal of a high school in one of Boston's suburban towns, was in town for a part of his Easter vacation.

Easter was appropriately observed at the Congregational church; an address by the pastor, and a choice concert exercise being the programme. The church was artistically decorated with potted plants, palms and cut flowers.

Fountain lodge, No. 64, I. O. G. T., are to hold a social and celebrate the second anniversary of their organization next Tuesday evening, the 27th, in their lodge room at the town hall. Middlebury and Addison lodges have been invited to be present, and a pleasant social time is anticipated. A good literary programme has been prepared. Refreshments will be served.

EAST MIDDLEBURY.

Mrs. Etta Wilkins is so much improved as to be able to sit up.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Russell are the happy parents of a little daughter, born April 19.

Rev. E. B. Harris delivered an excellent discourse on Sunday, it being the last one before going to conference.

The weekly prayer meeting held at Mrs. W. W. Turner's on Friday evening last was largely attended and interesting.

Up to within a few days our friends the robins have scarcely appeared, but now are seen in numbers, as though here for the season.

Montford Wilkins, who has been so alarmingly ill for several weeks at his home at South Reading, is now thought to be improving.

LEICESTER.

Orator Dow is in poor health.

Mrs. Hiram Rickert is ill with measles.

Alton Morse has moved to the Fisk farm.

Lulu Rickert is recovering from the measles.

E. J. Brown of Goshen called on friends Monday.

School began April 19 in all the schools in town, six in number.

Mr. Sampson has removed to Salisbury and George Palmatine to Pittsford.

O. H. Capron, who has been confined to the house with lung trouble, is able to be out of doors on pleasant days.

NEW HAVEN.

Mrs. George Coats is in quite poor health.

V. M. Benedict is now boarding at the Patch House.

Miss Mary E. Roscoe has been at home during vacation.

Charles Haight of Rutland was in town over Sunday.

Lawyer J. B. Donaway of Ferrisburgh was in town on Monday.

The many friends of Mrs. E. H. Landon of Bristol, formerly Miss Lillian

Barnum of this town, were shocked to hear of her sudden death last week.

Mrs. Thomas Murphy, formerly Miss Mary Rivers, who at one time taught school on Beech Hill, has been appointed superintendent of schools in the town of Chittenden, Rutland county.

The new firm of Purinton & Everest have started two carts, one of which will make a tour of Addison, the other of Weybridge. They have established headquarters in the Nutting block, formerly occupied by Daniel Levarn.

Calvin Squires Albee of Rutland was married to Anna M. Thayer at Binghamton, N. Y., March 24. Mr. Albee is well known in New Haven, Ripton and other parts of Addison county and is now in the marble business in Rutland.

RIPTON.

S. H. Hendrick is failing very fast.

Mrs. A. L. Barnard, who has been very sick, is considerably better.

Clayton Danforth cut his foot badly a few days ago, but is getting along nicely.

It is rumored that Mrs. Cornie Austin of Middlebury is trying to get scholars in instrumental music here. Success is wished her in her effort, for she understands the matter thoroughly.

The number of our sick increases. The list of those on duty embraces Mrs. K. Haskin, Ed. Covey, Mrs. Sherman, Miss Susan Hendrick, Mrs. P. Strack, Rollo McQuivey, the family of J. B. Ladd (four persons), seven in the family of G. J. Hodges, Mrs. G. I. Flanders and David Lee.

Mrs. Miranda Hendrick died on the afternoon of the 19th inst. at the age of about 84 years. She came to town with her husband about 60 years ago and had always been a quiet home body, carefully attending to her own affairs and giving her neighbors the credit of knowing enough to do the same, allowing others to do the gossiping. She was the mother of four daughters (of whom three survive her) and one son, who fell while engaged in assisting in the suppression of the rebellion. Her funeral was on the 21st inst. from the Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. J. M. Smith, delivering an appropriate sermon from the words: "No man liveth unto himself, and no one dieth unto himself." Mrs. Cornie Austin of Middlebury presided at the organ and Mrs. Danforth, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Day and Messrs. Noble and Billings furnished some very beautiful and appropriate music.

SHOREHAM.

Kent Wright is ill with the grip.

Miss Bessie North is visiting friends at Thonderoga.

Miss Ella Mead returned to her school at Saxton's River Monday.

Miss M. A. Douglas is in New York for millinery and fancy goods.

The village schools opened Monday with the same teachers as last year.

Henry Mead has recently received news of the death of his mother at Brandon, N. H.

Rev. H. B. Hannum, wife and sister of Southwick, Mass., are guests at Dr. Platt's.

Miss Agnes Treadway is teaching on Barnum Hill and Miss Jennie Holmes at East Shoreham.

A six-year-old son of Wm. Edwards fell while in the barn at play and broke both bones of the left arm.

Joseph Doisware, aged 61 years, died of consumption Sunday evening at his home in Richville. He was buried from the Catholic church Wednesday morning.

VERGENNES.

It is a boy at Dr. W. N. Knowlton's, born Monday.

Mrs. David Duquette has reopened a millinery shop in the Stevens block.

Rev. W. N. T. Dean of Middlebury preached in the Congregational church on Sunday.

Dr. Thomas Rogers of Plattsburgh is a guest of his parents, Rev. Thomas Rogers and wife.

Elbert L. Stagg has been appointed postmaster at Panton, vice Truman S. Watson, resigned.

John D. Edmond, a former resident of this city, was recently elected mayor of Leavenworth, Kan.

The steamer Victor of the Vergennes and Westport transportation line is to be launched this week.

Rev. E. M. Bartlett of West Bridge-water, Mass., preached his introductory sermon in the Baptist church Sunday.

W. N. Thompson has rented the Edmond place and Mrs. Susan Morgan a part of the A. T. Smith house on Cliff avenue.

The reported death of Joseph R. Stearns, a former resident of this city, at Plattsburgh, recently, turns out to have been false.

The Easter services at the Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches were largely attended. Appropriate exercises were also held at the state school.

Mrs. Warner, widow of B. B. Warner, deceased, died in Panton the 16th, aged 74 years. The funeral was on Sunday. Rev. Mr. Watson officiating.

Mrs. Susan Rogers, widow of the late Henry Rogers of Ferrisburgh, died the 16th, aged 81 years. One daughter, Miss Phoebe Rogers, survives her.

Miss Anna Wetherbee, aged 51 years, died after a lingering illness, the 17th, of cancer of the stomach. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wetherbee, survive.

The last quarterly meeting of the Methodist society was held in the church parlors Wednesday, the 14th, at 2 p. m., the presiding elder, Rev. J. J. Noe, presiding.

A meeting of the Vergennes Base Ball association was held Tuesday evening in Mayor Tuttle's office. The club has joined the Northern league and will at once proceed to draft a nine that will fill the bill if possible.

Mrs. Frances Bates, wife of City Sheriff Stephen Bates, died after a short illness in this city the 15th, of heart failure, aged 45 years. A husband, one son, Fred, and a daughter, Mrs. Schuyler of Worcester, Mass., survive her.

The funeral was on Saturday at the Episcopal church.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance union elected these officials: President, Mrs. I. F. Hatch; vice presidents, Miss Maggie Strickland and Mrs. L. Spencer; secretary, Mrs. J. A. Barnard; treasurer, Mrs. Dr. Phelps; superintendent of press work, Mrs. A. L. Sawyer.

At the annual convocation, election and installation of officials of Dorchester lodge, R. A. M., in Masonic hall, Thursday evening, the 15th, these officers for

the year ensuing were chosen: Charles A. Chapman, W. M.; N. G. Delano, S. W.; H. V. Sears, J. W.; F. A. Goss, treasurer; C. T. S. Pierce, secretary; R. H. Noonan, S. D.; J. D. Whiteside, J. D.; Rev. Thomas Rogers, chaplain; E. E. Field, S. S.; H. O. Fisher, J. S.; George F. O. Kimball, marshal; W. H. Flagg, tyler.

WEST CORNWALL.

Charlotte Lucas is back from Whiting, where she spent the winter. Her health is poor.

Mrs. Amos Atwood is ill with pneumonia, but is more comfortable than a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wimmert will soon commence housekeeping in one of H. T. Peck's tenement houses.

G. H. Searle walked as far as the store and back on Wednesday. He feels that he is slowly but surely improving.

Mr. Macintosh of Boston, Mass., has been visiting his wife's mother, Mrs. Lucy Jones, at R. J. Jones', and calling on other friends.

M. E. Twitchell went to Bristol on Wednesday to see his aunt, Mrs. W. Kingman, who is very ill, as is also his cousin, Ira Kingman.

Stairs are being built on the south side of the Haskell store for the use of Mr. Sowle, who occupies the pleasant rooms on the second floor of the building.

Mrs. Walter Atwood, president of the Ladies' Sewing club in the south part of the town, will meet with some of the ladies in this district at Mrs. A. S. Bingham's on Thursday afternoon to sew for the family of Louis Narrabone. It will be remembered that their house was burned in the winter and nearly everything they had lost. Mrs. Narrabone is in very poor health. Last week they met with Mrs. H. A. Moody for the same purpose.

WEYBRIDGE.

W. C. Sturtevant was confined to his house by illness most of last week.

John Brittle left for his new home on Thursday last. Mrs. Brittle will go later.

The pulp mill was obliged to shut down this week on account of the condition of the water.

Chas. Perkins was thrown from a colt which he was riding on Monday and sprained his wrist very badly. He is likely to be laid up for some time.

Miss Jane Sturtevant was successfully operated upon for cancer at the Fletcher hospital in Burlington on Saturday last. At last accounts she was doing well.

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